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PATENT

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of : **Attn: Mail Stop Amendment**
Norio MAEDA et al. :
Serial No. 09/936,618 :
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For: METHOD AND DEVICE FOR :
DRYING SUBSTRATE :
Examiner: Jiping Lu

AMENDMENT UNDER 37 CFR §1.114

Assistant Commissioner of Patents
Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

In response to the May 17, 2006 Office Action, please amend the above-identified patent application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the *Listing of Claims*, which begins on page 2 of this paper. Claims 1-3, 5-12, 14-19, 21-24 and 26-28 are pending, with claims 1, 10, 21, 23 and 28 being the independent claims.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 9 of this paper.

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